

Date: December 13, 2007

**California Cultural and Historical Endowment  
(CCHE)  
Round Three Project Grant Summary**

**Grant Applicant:**  
Crocker Art Museum  
Association

**Project Division: 3**  
**Grant Number: 22**

**Amount Requested:**  
\$1,805,400

**Location /(City/County):**  
Sacramento/Sacramento

**Amount Reserved:**  
\$483,750

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**Completion of Capital assets project will result in:**

Expansion of the existing facility by adding a 100,000 square foot structure on the current grounds. CCHE funds will be used to support construction of six dedicated gallery rooms in the Teel Pavilion and three dedicated gallery rooms in the Herold Wing.

**Property Arrangement:**

The applicant, the Crocker Art Museum Association, is a trustee that administers the Crocker Master Trust.

## **CEQA Documentation:**

**Lead Agency:** City of Sacramento

Documentation: The City of Sacramento, as Lead Agency, prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The Final EIR was completed in 2004. The City adopted Findings of Fact and a Statement of Overriding Considerations under CEQA on October 25, 2005, and an Addendum to the EIR was approved and completed in 2006.

The Project involves the construction and operation of a 100,000 square foot addition to the Crocker Art Museum which will house gallery space, administrative offices, storage space and realignment of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between O and P Streets, as well as realigned parking along 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and within the current North Lot Y. In addition, the Project will alter the Crocker Gallery and Mansion Building and demolish and replace the existing Herold Wing.

The EIR identified potentially significant impacts in the areas of cultural resources, hazardous materials, soils and seismicity and geology. Many of these impacts could be reduced to less-than-significant levels with the application of mitigation measures. The mitigation measures identified applicable to the CCHE funded work are made a condition of CCHE approval. CCHE has independently considered the potentially significant impacts and the mitigation measures, and makes its own findings, set forth on Exhibit A.

The EIR identified certain impacts that are significant and unavoidable including impacts to:

### **AIR QUALITY**

- i. Amount of unmitigated NO<sub>x</sub> emissions
- ii. Estimated concentrations of PM<sub>10</sub>

### **CULTURAL RESOURCES**

- i. Loss of the ability to “read” the two existing facades of the Gallery Building
- ii. Alteration of the Project’s configuration resulting in a loss of integrity of location, setting, feeling and association
- iii. Removal of historic landscape features.

### **HYDROLOGY**

- i. Increase in non-point source (NPS) pollutants in

receiving waters

#### SOILS, SEISMICITY AND GEOLOGY

- i. Ground water removed during dewatering would be disposed into an inadequate ground water disposal

#### TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION

- i. Increase in the delay of traffic during the Peak PM hour.

#### UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS

- i. Addition of wastewater flows into the CSS would Exacerbate existing inadequacy of the CSS
- ii. Project would exacerbate existing deficiencies in the capacity of Sump 52 and the collection system tributary to Sump 52.

Mitigation measures are proposed to minimize these impacts, but they remain significant and unavoidable. CCHE's findings on these impacts and mitigation measures are found in Exhibit A.

The City of Sacramento adopted a Statement of Overriding Considerations finding that the following benefits of the proposed project will outweigh the significant environmental effects identified in the Final EIR.

1. The adopted policies of the General Plan, Central City Community Plan, Downtown Cultural & Entertainment Master Plan, and particularly the Riverfront Master Plan all establish the need to support, enhance and expand cultural opportunities in downtown Sacramento, as identified in the Land Use chapter of the EIR. The expansion of the Crocker Art Museum will comply with these policies and will help the City meet its stated goal of remaining the region's cultural center. As described in the October 2001 Crocker Art Museum Master Plan Study, if the Museum does not expand, it will be increasingly unable to meet public demand or exhibit and store its extensive collection effectively and safely. This would conflict with the adopted goals and policies cited above.
2. Alternative locations for the expansion that would avoid the cultural resources impacts resulting from its placement on the west side of the existing Museum would create other significant

impacts, such as loss of an existing City park.

3. The proposed expansion would enhance the City's visitor's amenities by providing greater gallery space, space to accommodate special and traveling exhibits.
4. The proposed expansion would further the Museum's mission of offering educational programs to the community and to serve as the primary arts institution in the Sacramento area.

Using its independent judgment in reviewing the EIR and Addendum prepared for this Project, staff recommends the CCHE Board adopt the findings in the attached Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations.

**Budget/Tasks/Deliverables:**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
Interior Framing	\$423,900
HVAC	59,850
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$483,750</b>

**Matching Funds:**

\$483,750 - Cash

**CALIFORNIA CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL ENDOWMENT  
BOARD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 07-C 3-22  
Crocker Art Museum Association  
(New Facility Construction)**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A CALIFORNIA CULTURAL AND  
HISTORICAL ENDOWMENT (CCHE) GRANT AND AUTHORIZING  
THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OR DESIGNEE, TO PROCESS THE  
APPROVED GRANT FOR THE CROCKER ART MUSEUM  
EXPANSION PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the CCHE is dedicated to preserving historical and cultural resources; and

**WHEREAS**, CCHE has received an appropriation from Proposition 40 California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, CCHE may distribute funds from Proposition 40 to projects that provide a thread of California's cultural and historical resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project listed above meets the objectives of the CCHE program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project involves the construction and operation of a 100,000 square foot addition to the Crocker Art Museum which will house gallery space, administrative offices, storage space and realignment of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between O and P Streets, as well as realigned parking along 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and within the current North Lot Y. In addition, the Project will alter the Crocker Gallery and Mansion Building and demolish and replace the existing Herold Wing; and

**WHEREAS**, CCHE has independently considered the environmental effects of the Project as described in the Environmental Impact Report and Addendum to the EIR Prepared by the Lead Agency, City of Sacramento; and

**WHEREAS**, CCHE is requiring that the applicant comply with the mitigation measures applicable to the portions of the Project that CCHE is funding, as a condition of approval; and

**WHEREAS**, CCHE determines that the benefits of the Project outweigh its unavoidable significant environmental impacts; and

**WHEREAS**, approval of this grant application shall be conditioned upon the grantee's complying with all applicable laws and regulations; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the CCHE Board adopts the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations attached hereto as Exhibit A and adopts the mitigation measures therein applicable to those elements of the Project that CCHE is funding as a condition of approval; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the CCHE Board approves funding for the Project in the amount of \$483,750; authorizes the Executive Officer, or designee, to file a Notice of Determination and to process the approved grant and take all necessary actions to enter into a Grant Agreement with the applicant, subject to availability of appropriated funds; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that CCHE adopts the information contained in the CCHE Round Three Project Grant Summary.

### **Certification**

The undersigned Chair of the CCHE Board of Directors does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CCHE Board of Directors held December 13, 2007.

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Susan Hildreth**  
**Chair, CCHE Board of Directors**